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NEW NATIONAL TELECOM POLICY
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to evolve a new National Telecom Policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the time by which the new policy is likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposed policy is intended to be a comprehensive policy encompassing various aspects of the Telecom sector inter-alia, Access, Spectrum Allocation, Technology, Telecom Equipment Manufacturing, R&D, Deregulation/further Simplification, Value Added Services and Quality of Service etc. Various major stakeholders had already given their comments for preparation of Draft Policy.

(c) Formulation of the National Telecom Policy involves detailed consultation with various stakeholders. Therefore, no definite time frame can be given for finalisation of National Telecom Policy.